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**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF
TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a)**

To Commissioner For Patents
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

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Group Art Unit	2663
Examiner Name	Ng, Christine Y.
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☒ Applicant(s) hereby petition(s) for an extension of time to respond to the Final Office Action filed on May 14, 2004 for:

☒ ONE (1) month. Please charge Deposit Account No. 14-1270 in the amount of \$110.

☐ TWO (2) months. Please charge Deposit Account No. 14-1270 in the amount of \$410.

☐ THREE (3) months. Please charge Deposit Account No. 14-1270 in the amount of \$930.

☒ Because of this extension, the period for reply will expire on November 7, 2004.

☒ The period for reply is calculated from October 7, 2004, the mailing date of the Advisory Action, since the response to the Final Office Action was filed on June 28, 2004, which is within TWO (2) months of the mailing date of the Final Office Action.

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